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Many of the rivers of Maryland or portions of them and their related adjacent land areas possess outstanding scenic, geologic, ecologic, historic, recreational, agricultural, fish, wildlife, cultural, and other similar values. The policy of the State is to preserve and protect the natural values of these rivers, enhance their water quality, and fulfill vital conservation purposes by wise use of resources within their surrounding environment. Development of a Scenic and Wild Rivers Program is desirable to fulfill these purposes.

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